

Report of the Induction Meeting held on 22nd February, 2020 at Prabhu Jagatbandhu College Study Centre, Howrah

As recommended by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) of the university and approved by the competent authority, the School of Professional Studies (SPS) organized the Induction Meeting at Prabhu Jagatbandhu College Study Centre (F-09), Howrah on 22/2/2020.

On behalf of the University, the following members attended the programme

Professor Anirban Ghosh, Director CIQA, and Director (I/c) of SPS & SVS
Dr. Premanada Jana, Regional Director, NSOU, Kalyani RC
Sri. Sudarshan Ray, Assistant Professor, Commerce, NSOU
Sri Debjit Goswami, Assistant Professor, Public Administration, NSOU
Smt Priyanthi Bagchi, Assistant Professor, Economics, NSOU

On behalf of the Study Centre, the following members attended the programme

Dr. Subrata Kumar Ray, Principal, Prabhu Jagatbandhu College
Dr. Suman Bandopadhyay, Co-ordinator, Study Centre
Dr. Sarada Ghosh, Asst. Coordinator, Study Centre

The meeting was attended by about 100 learners of BDP and PG programmes (2019-20 session) and who interacted with the university faculty and officials.

The broad objectives of the Induction Meeting for the newly-admitted learners are to know about:

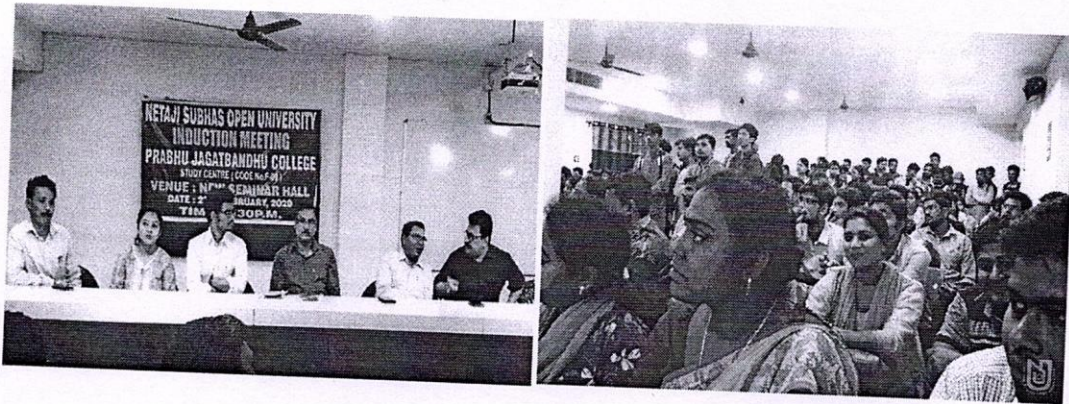
- ✓ the University – its organization structure
- ✓ open and distance learning system
- ✓ facilities available to a learner
- ✓ the LSCs/ SCs – their functions and functionaries
- ✓ importance of the counselling sessions
- ✓ importance of the assignments in the learning process
- ✓ evaluation system and term-end examination
- ✓ their roles and responsibilities as learners of the NSOU

The induction meeting started with the cordial welcome address delivered by Dr. Subrata Kumar Ray, Principal, Prabhu Jagatbandhu College. In his welcome address, Dr. Roy elaborated the importance of NSOU in the present day context and he also assured that college will extend all sorts cooperation to run the study centre.

Dr. Premanada Jana, Regional Director, Kalyani RC in his lecture requested all the learners to keep in touch with the study centre and the website for latest information so that they can follow the dates given by the university for different purposes viz. renewal, exam form fill up, fees payment etc. He also informed that the entire process has now been automated for the benefit of the learners.

The welcome address was followed by the discussion of the Director, CIQA, Dr. Anirban Ghosh. Dr. Ghosh offered a very warm welcome to newly admitted learners. He thanked them for choosing NSOU as the institution for enhancing their educational levels and achievements thereafter. He mentioned that it is this Open and Distance Learning (ODL) method that provides opportunities for enhancing education for the housewives, jobholders and aged persons who do not get time and opportunity to attend regular classes in the conventional

institutions. The system also provides education to those who have not been permitted to take admission in the conventional system due to long gap after achieving certain educational standard and/or those who could not earlier pursue their education due to some socio-economic reasons or otherwise and now want to continue their studies and/or those who do not have sufficient marks to get admitted in the conventional institutions.



He discussed about the courses of Netaji Subhas Open University and their significance. He gave detailed speech about the BDP/ PG programme and discussed how to prepare for assignments and exams. He described how the present employment scenario demands only knowledge and knowledge-based skills and that NSOU will definitely help the learners to achieve their desired target if pursued whole-heartedly. Dr. Ghosh also mentioned that certificates given by NSOU are as good as the certificate issued by any other university. During the deliberations, the learners were informed about the availability of e-resources online. The procedures for accessing the academic resources like e-SLM, AV lectures on the NSOU website were also demonstrated.

There was a special mention about the on-going work for NAAC (National Assessment and Accreditation Council) and the visit of the NAAC team and their assessment about NSOU, which will be held in the very near future. NAAC accreditation will definitely enhance the teaching-learning system of the university all together.

Dr. Bandopadhyay, proposed vote of thanks and advised the learners to attend the classes (if possible) and counselling sessions of NSOU for their own benefits and also promised to look after their grievances in the best possible way.

Placed before Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for kind perusal.

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Thanks; Passed the report; may please be kept on record.

Prof. A. Ghosh
Dir. SPS.

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